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Holy Week Services

METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY CHURCH

Reverend Troy D. Perry, Pastor & Founder

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THE CHANCEL CHOIR

PRESENTS

THE SEVEN LAST WORDS OF CHRIST

A SACRED CONTATA

by THEODORE DUBOIS

Directed by JOHN L. WESLEY
with EDGAR CARSWELL, Organist

INSTRUMENTAL ENSEMBLE

and soloists

JAMES PHILLIP CRAFT Baritone WILLIAM R. GREEN Tenor

CARMELLA PUGLIESE Soprano

FIRST UNITARIAN CHURCH LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

March 27, 1970

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

Organ Prelude:

COMMUNION
IN THE LOVE OF CHRIST JESUS

PASTORAL WELCOME and PRAYER — Reverend TROY D. PERRY, Pastor

HYMN — 'Tis Midnight and On Olive's Brow — Congregation

ORDINATION — MR. HOWARD WELLS — OFFICE OF DEACON
To service Metropolitan Community Church San Francisco Mission

REPRISE — 'Tis Midnight and On Olive's Brow — Congregation

OFFERTORY — "Good Shepherd" by Benoit

SERMON — Reverend JOHN HOSE, Assistant Pastor

THE SEVEN LAST WORDS OF CHRIST

by DuBois

INTRODUCTION:

OH, ALL YE WHO TRAVEL UPON THE HIGHWAY, HARKEN TO ME, AND BEHOLD ME, WAS E'ER SORROW LIKE UNTO MY SORROW? FOR THE LORD ALMIGHTY HATH DEALT BITTERLY WITH ME... CALL ME NOW NO MORE NAOMI; FROM TODAY, CALL ME MARA!

FIRST WORD:

"FATHER, FORGIVE THEM, FOR THEY KNOW NOT WHAT THEY DO."

AND THE PEOPLE CLAMOR'D HE IS DEATH-GUILTY; TAKE HIM, TAKE HIM, LET US CRUCIFY HIM! BE HIS BLOOD ON US, AND ON OUR CHILDREN!

THEN THEY DID CRUCIFY JESUS, AND THE TWO THIEVES,ONE AT HIS RIGHT HAND, THE OTHER AT HIS LEFT HAND.

SECOND WORD:

"VERILY, THOU SHALT BE IN PARADISE TODAY WITH ME. AMEN, SO I TELL THEE."

HEAR ME, O LORD, AND REMEMBER ME, WHEN THOU COMEST INTO THY KINGDOM:

THIRD WORD:

"SEE, O WOMAN! HERE BEHOLD THY SON BELOVED."

SEE YON MOTHER, BOW'D IN ANGUISH, WHO BESIDE THE CROSS DOTH LANGUISH, WHERE ON HIGH HER SON IS BORNE.

IS THERE MORTAL, WHO NOT FEELETH TO BEHOLD HER WHERE SHE KNEELETH; SO WOEFUL, AND ALL FORLORN?

FOURTH WORD:

"GOD, MY FATHER, WHY HAST THOU FORSAKEN ME?"

ALL THOSE WHO WERE MY FRIENDS: ALL HAVE NOW FORSAKEN ME, AND THEY THAT HATE ME DO NOW PREVAIL AGAINST ME, AND HE WHOM I HAVE CHERISHED, HE HATH BETRAY'D ME.

EVEN THE VINE THAT I HAVE CHOSE, AND THAT I HAVE PLANTED: WHEREFORE ART THOU NOW SO STRANGELY TURNED INTO BITTERNESS, THAT I BY THEE AM CRUCIFIED?

FIFTH WORD:

"I AM ATHIRST!"

AND THE JEWS THEN PASSING BY HIM, ALL DID RAIL UPON HIM, AND WAGGING THEIR HEADS AT HIM, THEY SAID UNTO HIM...

AH! THOU WOULDST FAIN DESTROY THE TEMPLE, IF THOU BE JESUS, SON OF THE FATHER, NOW FROM THE CROSS DESCEND THOU, THAT WE BEHOLD IT, AND BELIEVE ON THEE WHEN WE BEHOLD IT. IF THOU ART KING OVER ISRAEL, SAVE THYSELF, THEN.

SIXTH WORD:

"FATHER, INTO THY HANDS I COMMEND MY SOUL."

FOR THOU ART MY GOD AND MY FATHER; THOU ART MY SAVIOUR.

INTO THY HANDS I COMMEND MY SOUL.

SEVENTH WORD:

"IT IS FINISHED!"

AND HE DID BOW HIS HEAD, AND RENDERED UP HIS SPIRIT.

AND IT WAS ABOUT THE SIXTH HOUR, AND THE SUN WAS DARKENED, AND THE DARKNESS COVERED THE EARTH, UNTIL ABOUT THE NINTH HOUR; AND THE VEIL OF THE TEMPLE WAS RENT AND ALL THE EARTH DID QUAKE; AND THE ROCKS WERE RENT, AND ALL THE GRAVES WERE OPENED WIDE.

PRAYER

CHRIST, WE DO ALL ADORE THEE, AND WE DO PRAISE THEE FOR EVER, FOR ON THE HOLY CROSS THOU HAST THE WORLD FROM SIN REDEEMED.

In this most Holiest of Services. we ask that you please refrain from applause at anytime, during this program.

EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE

INTROIT	Easter Morning Joyous Dawning	The Chancel Choir
CALL TO WORSHIP	The Old Rugged Cross	Congregation
OPENING PRAYER		Mr. Carroll Coffin, Society of Anubis
WELCOME		Reverend John Hose
HYMN	Crown Him With Many Crowns	Congregation
THE HOLY GOSPEL		Mr. Lou Loynes
HYMN	In The Garden	Congregation
ANNOUNCEMENTS		
THE CHANCEL CHOIR	In Joseph's Lovely Garden	
THE SERMON		
OFFERING		Reverend Troy D. Perry
BENEDICTION	(Solo...Mr. William Smith)	Reverend Richard Ploen
RECESSIONAL	He Lives (First Verse Only)	Congregation

EASTER WORSHIP SERVICE

PRELUDE		Mr. Edgar Carswell, Organist
INTROIT	SINGERS SING AND TRUMPETS PLAY	The Chancel Choir
CALL TO WORSHIP	CHRIST THE LORD IS RISEN TODAY	Congregation
OPENING PRAYER		Reverend Richard Ploen
WELCOME		Reverend John Hose
HYMN	CHRIST AROSE	Congregation
THE HOLY GOSPEL		Mr. Lou Loynes
GLORIA		The Chancel Choir & Congregation
HYMN	HE LIVES	Congregation
THE SILENT & PASTORAL PRAYER		Reverend Richard Ploen
SOLO	THE HOLY CITY	Mr. William Smith
ANNOUNCEMENTS		
THE CHANCEL CHOIR	THE HALLELUJAH CHORUS	Handel
THE EASTER SERMON		Reverend Troy D. Perry
Presentation of Tithes and Offering		(Duet: Mr. Larry Drane & Mr. Pat Rocco)
DOXOLOGY GENERAL CONFESSION ABSOLUTION HOLY COMMUNION		Mr. Lou Loynes, Reader
BENEDICTION		Reverend John Paul Stevens
CHORAL BENEDICTION		The Chancel Choir
RECESSIONAL	EASTER MORNING	The Chancel Choir

Music Under The Direction of Mr. William Smith

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